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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR SUPPLYING
A FLOWABLE MEDIUM TO THE TOBACCO OF
A SMOKING PRODUCT

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Preliminary Amendment Under 37 CFR §1.111

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Dear Sir:

This is a Preliminary Amendment for the invention referenced above. Please amend the claims presented for the invention referenced above as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

a. Claim 1. (Amended) A method for supplying a flowable medium to the tobacco rod of a smoking product (2), wherein the medium is introduced on a drum (1) of a cigarette machine, after the rod is formed.

Claim 2. (Amended) The method as set forth in claim 1, wherein the flowable medium is introduced as a material selected from the group of: liquid, pasty, powdery, filiform or gaseous medium.